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## THE J. E. JONES LETTER

### POLITICAL SEASON IS ON

Great and near-great statesmen are again in the Washington camp, and as Congress starts off on its regular session the political situation is as clear as mud. Factionalism runs rampant through the ranks of both old parties. The party capitals used to "crack the whip" in the old days, but that system no longer works. While the Republicans have a majority in both branches of Congress it is certain that large blocs of the lawmakers will refuse to follow the Administration on some important matters. As the season opens the prospect of any "policy" being adhered to in Congress is very dubious. It looks more like a "free for all."

### SUGAR-PRODUCING PALMS

Not so many years ago the skeptics were dubious about the sugar-beet industry, and the cane sugar refiners are still determined to put these producers of domestic sweets out of business. The sugar trust can provide more "simple twists of the wrist" than any other group of industrial gymnasts in existence. Nevertheless sugar beets have won out in the world market in the economic contest. Nellie E. Fealy of the Bureau of Plant Industry of the Department of Agriculture has contributed a notable series of articles that have just appeared in Facts About Sugar, describing the different varieties of sugar-producing palms that are grown. She says that the writings of the economic botanist and agricultural chemist in connection with palms from the standpoint of sugar production were very meagre up to the last ten or fifteen years. Yet she tells us that in some parts of the world, principally India, millions of pounds of sugar are taken from the palm tree. She speaks of Florida as being adapted to the production of sugar-yielding varieties of palms and quotes an old consular report from a representative of the United States in Venezuela, who long ago told the Washington government to "introduce the palm now and in twenty years hence thousands of them will be found growing in the South, yielding millions of pounds of sugar."

### GRAPE FRUIT

The suggestion that palm trees should be cultivated for their sugar yield in the South revives the story of grape fruit. Until recent years the fruit was considered worthless and nobody bothered with its bitter rinds and acid pulp. Finally the Yankee palate was convinced, and raising grape fruit immediately sprang into a great industry. England started in to eat grape fruit during the world war, and now the big hotels of London serve the fruit at about a dollar an order.

Nature shakes her leaves and drops additional riches into the public bread baskets most unexpectedly. Who knows but what the palm tree may eventually prove the undog of the "sugar octopus" that runs prices up and down in a manner that frequently irritates the American public.

### GROWING PLANTS BY ELECTRICITY

"Diet farmers" remained convinced from the day the first apple was grown in Eden that temperature was the principal factor in the growth of products of the soil. About three years ago "self-entitled farmers" in the Department of Agriculture at Washington proved that practically all plants matured subject to their own peculiarities of a day's length. Some large leaf plants require fourteen or fifteen hours of sunlight to mature. Other plants grow their flowers and mature in seasons when the days drop down to ten or eleven hours. There are "long day plants" and there are "short day plants." For instance, the iris is a long day plant that flowers in May or June in Washington under a fifteen-hour day sun. But this same iris will flower in December when the light of the descending nine-hour sun is immediately replaced by a strong electric light directly over the plant for the remaining six hours which is required to mature.

In reverse condition a "short day" plant will grow during the longest days if it is removed into a dark ventilated house at the end of its nine-hour day, so that the remaining hours of sunlight will not reach it.

Remarkable experiments have been made by the Government and by electrical scientists and horticulturists of late, and in every case it is proved that the length of the day is the principal factor in maturing plants. The short day and the long day explain why certain plants grow in Maine that do not mature in Florida and vice versa. The period of daylight is more important than even the temperature.

Electrical science has evidently af-

## BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. W. J. Upson spent a few days in Boston, recently.

Miss Alice Barker of West Bethel was in town, Tuesday.

The stores are putting on their decorations for the holidays.

Mr. A. M. Merrill has moved his family to West Bethel for the winter.

Mr. A. P. Copeland was a business visitor in South Paris, Tuesday.

Mrs. Thomas Vashaw was in Berlin, N. H., last week for medical treatment.

Miss Alice Willis has closed her home and gone to Portland for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaw have moved to their rent in the village for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore have moved into Ralph Moore's rent on Paradise Road.

Mr. and Mrs. James Merrill have moved to their new home on Chapman Street.

Mrs. Annie Emery was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Forbes the first of the week.

Mr. F. P. Flint has closed his camp at Wilson's Mills and is at home for the winter.

Miss Ethel Hammons, who has been very ill for the past three weeks, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Day have a few rooms in the G. N. Sanborn house on Main Street.

Mr. Richard Blake has moved from the W. C. Bryant rent on Main Street to Gratton, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Flint and baby are guests of his brother, Mr. F. P. Flint, and family.

Cap. Frank P. Coffin of Fort McKinley has recently visited at the home of Mr. H. A. Packard.

Mrs. C. L. Davis brought some blueberries into the Citizen office, Tuesday, which she found in the woods.

Mr. Melroy Cummings of Portland, formerly of Bethel, has been visiting H. A. Packard and family.

Miss Fannie Mason closed her home Monday and has gone to Portland where she will spend the winter.

Mr. Frank Abbott is having a two weeks vacation from his duties at J. B. Ham Co. grain store.

Mr. H. C. Barker has returned to Bethel from Togus, Maine, and will spend the winter at Charles Bean's.

Mrs. Estella Goodridge of Portland was the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. O. Robertson, and family a few days last week.

Mrs. Daisy Cross of Albany, who has passed her seventy-eighth birthday, was a recent guest of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moore, Mrs. Wakefield and Mrs. Allen Walker attended the funeral of Master Charles Allen at Lovell, Friday.

Miss Esther Tyler and brother, Laura, returned to their school in Boston, Sunday, accompanied by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler returned Monday evening.

Mr. W. B. Wight has been spending a few days with his sister at Gorham, N. H. He went to South Paris, Tuesday, to conduct the music at the County Potatoes Grange, as he has been chosen leader of music for that purpose.

Before Trial Justice Albert O. Park at South Paris on Tuesday of last week Edwin Hutchinson was found guilty of assault upon William Moxness, and was fined \$5.00 and costs. He appealed and furnished sureties in the sum of \$250 for his appearance at the February term of Superior Judicial Court. H. H. Hastings represented Moxness and Alton C. Wheeler of South Paris represented Hutchinson. The affair which led to this case took place at the mill of the Merrill, Springer Co. where the two young men were employed. Quite a number of the mill men were in attendance as witnesses.

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## GIFT TO LIBRARY

A set of valuable books is given to the Library by Mrs. Gehring, called "The Outlines of Science," in four volumes, with eight hundred illustrations.

Those who have heard Prof. Tabbs of Bates College at the Community Service will be glad to be taught from these books. This little dark earth teems with interest to the seeing eye, and many may well make its acquaintance this coming winter through these wonderful books.

Mrs. Gehring also contributes the latest authority on social customs called "Etiquette."

As no one can tell which one of our Academy pupils will swing our Republic from the White House—or be the "First Lady of the Land"—it is hoped this large condensation of usages will be carefully studied.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

### UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter W. Wolfe, Minister  
Church Calendar—Sunday, Dec. 9, 10:45 A. M.: Devotional service. Sermon topic, "The Religion of Our Modern Times."  
12:00 Noon: Sunday School.  
7:15 P. M.: Y. P. C. U.  
Candle-light service of Devotion and Conservation.

Organ Prelude.  
Processional.  
Musical Number.  
Bible Reading.

Miss Dorothy Hutchinson.  
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## GRANGE NEWS

### ROUND MOUNTAIN GRANGE

Round Mountain Grange met at their hall Saturday, Dec. 1. Worship Master Irving Becker in the chair. After regular routine officers for the following year were elected as follows:  
Master—Leon Kimball.  
Overseer—Cecil Kimball.  
Lecturer—Nancy Andrews.  
Steward—Charles Moorey.  
Asst. Steward—Calvert Fullerton.  
In A. Steward—Ethel Fullerton.  
Chaplain—Lena Bruce.  
Gate Keeper—Isaac Wardwell.  
Pomona—Dora Becker.  
Ceres—Ruth Kimball.  
Flora—Ruth Kimball.  
Secretary—Hazel Wardwell.

### BEAR RIVER GRANGE

Bear River Grange, No. 235, met in regular session Saturday evening, Dec. 1, at 8 P. M. Officers present: A. S. Arthur Stearns. A communication from E. H. Libby in regard to State Grange in Lewiston was read. On motion the Grange voted to send W. M. Fred Wight and wife. Under new business the election of officers for 1924 was taken up and the following elected:  
Master—Edw. Bennett.  
Overseer—Ernest Holt.  
Lecturer—Susan Wight.  
Steward—Arnold James.  
Asst. Steward—Fred Kilgore.  
Chaplain—Nellie Chapman.  
Gate Keeper—Fred Wight.  
Secretary—L. E. Wight.  
Treasurer—C. F. Saunders.  
Ceres—Minnie Bennett.  
Flora—Frank Hastings.  
Pomona—Nellie Holt.  
L. A. Steward—Pearl Kilgore.

A communication read from National Grange Representative at Washington in regard to Golden Rule Sunday, Dec. 2, another from the "Home for Little Wanderers." A collection was taken for the "Wanderers' Home, and enough was taken from the treasury to amount to \$5.00. Grange members to solicit funds for Near East Relief.

Literary program:  
Song, America.  
Grange News Home, National Grange Session Story, H. S. Hastings.  
Music, date 1910, encore, Daniel Wight.  
Paper on uses of electricity on the farm, an imaginative book into the future, Addie Saunders.

Humorous story, Sarah Wight.  
Tableau, "Can't be beat," Brother and Sister Edw. Bennett and son Arthur.

A question was presented by the W. L. on "Grange Law" and the "Secret work of the Grange." The questions were answered correctly and very promptly by the members.

Steamer clams, doughnuts and coffee were served by the Brothers. Thirty-five members and one visitor present.

Next meeting Dec. 15, will be a Christmas entertainment. Committee, W. L. Sisters Roberts and French.

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## HARDING MEMORIAL WEEK

### To the People of Oxford County:

In accordance with the plan of the Harding Memorial Association for a nation-wide observance of Harding Memorial Week, Governor Baxter has proclaimed Sunday, December 9th, as Harding Memorial Week, and for the purpose of effecting a nation-wide organization, the Governor of each state has been asked to serve as Honorary Chairman and to appoint an Active Chairman who in turn will appoint a County Chairman for each county. I have been asked to act as County Chairman by Charles S. Hieborn of Augusta, the Active State Chairman, and have asked several men living in the larger centers of the county to serve as Community Chairmen for their immediate community and adjoining smaller communities, as the organization embraces the whole county, viz: Ellery C. Park, Rumford; Mr. George L. Wadlin, Bangor; Mr. A. E. Davis of Mexico, Donah; Mr. Partridge, Esq., of Norway, Waldo; Mr. Gray, Esq., of South Paris, A. B. Stearns, Esq., of Rumford; Mr. Carl C. Dunley of Bryant's Pond, and Hon. O. L. Stanley of Kennebec Falls.

These Community Chairmen will each in turn associate with himself citizens of the immediate community and adjoining communities, thus forming a strong local Harding Memorial Committee. These committees, by their Community Chairmen, will invite the local leaders in the churches, granges, clubs, lodges and unions to assist in giving publicity to the movement, and such other clubs as in the opinion of the Chairmen may have within their membership those who will want to be given the opportunity to make a contribution either as an organization or as individuals.

The organization is nation-wide and is branding its energies to this one week. It is being conducted without regard to race, creed or political affiliations, past or future. Its whole purpose is to afford every citizen of the United States an opportunity to give cheerfully to the Memorial whatever he desires as a token of his appreciation and affection for the late President, a free-will offering. It can be seen at once that time is the essence of the plan. Only one short week will span and cover the nation-wide activity, seven days set aside as a time for receiving donations.

The plan contemplates raising three million dollars, one-half of which is to be used in the erection of a mausoleum at Marion, Ohio, near the Harding home in which shall rest the remains of the late President and of his widow when she shall have passed away, and the acquisition of the Harding home for conversion into a shrine wherein the personal effects, books, ornaments and belongings of the late President may be preserved in affectionate memory, to which the people of his beloved country may go for inspiration; the other half to be invested in Government bonds as an endowment for sustaining in perpetuity the mausoleum and shrine.

Contributions may be made through the members of each local association, the religious, educational, civic or fraternal organizations in which you belong or through your bank; or you may send direct to Hon. Andrew W. Mellon, Treasurer of the Association, 1414 F. St., N.W., Washington, D. C., making all checks payable to the Harding Memorial Association. For a leaflet giving full explanation of the plan and purpose of the Association, call upon your local Chairman.

H. H. HASTINGS,  
County Chairman.

Falls were guests at Maurice Tyler's, Friday.

Miss Eleanor Jordan from Mechanic Falls was the Sunday guest of her aunt, Mrs. M. F. Tyler.

Alton Hutchinson has employment with M. F. Tyler.

Erwin Hutchinson was the guest of friends in Albany, Tuesday.

BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking room of said bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday, January 8, 1924, at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing directors for the coming year and the transaction of any business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier,  
Bethel, Maine, December 4, 1923.

12-4-23

Mr. Day Cronin has moved his family from the Godwin rent on Church Street to one of the Naimy rents on Main Street.

## SURPRISE PARTY TO MRS. GRACE FOLEY

It was only the words of a quaint old tune.

Yet they live in my memory yet. They've rang in my mind this afternoon—

There are friends that we never forget. There are many friends both tried and true,

Friends that for years we've not met; But those we have loved and trusted too Are the ones that we never forget.

It has been often said that there could be no surprise party given but what the victim would receive some inkling of what was in store for them before the affair reached its actual climax.

Mrs. Grace Foley most emphatically denies that to be the case as one day recently on returning from a trip to Bangor she found her door unfastened, and on entering the kitchen she saw no intruder, (except smoke which caused an exclamation







### RADIO PROGRAMS

Westinghouse Radio Station WBZ  
Springfield, Mass.  
337 Meters—890 Kilocycles

#### THURSDAY

A. M.  
11.55 Arlington Time Signals; Weather Reports; Boston and Springfield Market Reports  
P. M.  
7.30 Twilight Tales for the Kiddies  
Letter from the New England Homestead  
8.00 Concert by Loretta Champagne, and Beatrice Driscoll, piano pupils of Professor Gustave Kriedte  
"Mazurka" Leschetzky  
"Concerto in A Minor" Schumann  
(a) First Movement, "Allegro and Cadenza"  
(b) Second Movement, "Intermezzo"  
(c) Third "Allegro Vivace"  
Miss Champagne, soloist  
Miss Driscoll, accompanist  
(a) "Melody in F"  
Rubinstein  
(b) "Waltz Caprice"  
Rubinstein  
Miss Champagne  
9.00 Bedtime story for grown-ups by Orison S. Marden  
9.55 Arlington Time Signals (Eastern Standard Time)

#### FRIDAY

A. M.  
11.55 Arlington Time Signals; Weather Reports; Boston and Springfield Market Reports  
P. M.  
6.00 Dinner concert by the WBZ Quintette

11.55 "Pique Dame" (Overture)  
Suppe  
"Angel's Serenade"  
Braga  
"Song Without Words" (Trio)  
Mendelssohn  
"Bakonyi March"  
Liszt  
Sextette from "Lucia"  
Donizetti  
Hungarian Dance No. 5  
Brahms  
Minuet, "Military Symphony"  
Haydn  
"Memories of Vienna"  
Bendix  
"March of the Dwarfs"  
Grigg  
7.00 "A Bear for Breakfast," a dramatized story from the Youth's Companion  
7.30 Twilight Tales for the Kiddies  
Current Book Review by R. A. MacDonald of the Court Square Book Store  
Farmers' Periodic—Sarmounting Freight Difficulties for the Farmer, by John J. Westberg, Assistant Sales Manager, Eastern States Farmers' Exchange  
9.55 Arlington Time Signals  
11.00 Program of Chamber Music by the WBZ Quintette, and Byron P. Hayden, baritone; Myrtle C. Chapman, accompanist  
"Bolero" (Trio)  
Moszkowski  
Baritone solo, "The Phantom Horseman"  
Nevin  
Mr. Hayden  
Baritone group  
"Love's Paradise"  
Royce  
"I Had a Garden"  
Royce  
Mr. Hayden  
"Song Without Words"  
Tchaikowsky  
WBZ Quintette  
Baritone solo, "Lead, Kindly Light"  
Barnard  
Mr. Hayden  
Baritone group

"Pain's Just for You"  
Royce  
"My Task"  
Ashford  
Mr. Hayden  
"La Paloma"  
Yradier  
WBZ Quintette  
Baritone solo, "Long, Long Ago"  
Bayly  
Mr. Hayden  
Baritone solo, "Old Folks at Home"  
Foster  
Mr. Hayden  
"Heart Dance"  
WBZ Quintette

#### SATURDAY

A. M.  
11.55 Arlington Time Signals; Weather Reports; Boston and Springfield Market Reports  
P. M.  
7.00 Dinner concert by the Hotel Kimball Trio direct from the Hotel Kimball dining room; Jan Geerts, violinist and director; Angela, Godard Loneragan, cellist; Paul Lawrence, pianist.  
7.30 Twilight Tales for the Kiddies  
"Bringing the World to America," prepared by "Our World" magazine  
8.00 Concert by William P. Flood, tenor; Gustav LaZazzera, cello; Giovanni Mistry, violin; Eleanor Turner LaZazzera, piano  
9.00 Bedtime story for grown-ups by Orison S. Marden  
9.55 Arlington Time Signals

#### CANTON

Mrs. Arthur Newton has returned from the hospital at Lewiston, where she had a surgical operation.  
Miss Valerie McCollister spent Thanksgiving with her aunt in Lewiston.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Tyler, Miss Marion Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mendall, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bonney and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Tyler spent Thanksgiving with Arthur Tyler and family at Wilton.  
Mrs. Elene Goding is suffering with muscular rheumatism.  
Mrs. R. W. Bicknell spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Nutty, of Portland.  
Walter Gammon has received word that his mother, Mrs. Levi Gammon, is very low. She is living with his niece, Mrs. Mabel Wood, of Hartford.  
"Chas. Gilbert has been spending a few days in the "twins" estate."  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas spent Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. A. L. Newman, and family of Auburn.  
Sanders Russell of Peru was a guest Thursday of his grandfather, A. E. Russell, and daughter.  
Miss Louise Jacobs spent the Thanksgiving recess at her home in Yonkers.  
Mrs. Ora Hodge visited her daughter, Mrs. Archie Atkins, at the hospital, Lewiston, Saturday.  
Robert Trask, the nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trask of No. Hartford, was taken to the C. M. G. Hospital at Lewiston, Saturday, for an operation for appendicitis. Her mother accompanied her.  
Miss Mildred A. Richardson, R. N., of Pittsfield, Mass., and Miss Elizabeth Holmes of Plymouth, Mass., spent Thanksgiving with the former's sister, Mrs. Elmer B. Lane and family of Auburn. They also visited Miss Richardson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Richardson of Canton, Friday and Saturday.  
A family party at W. B. Gilbert's Thursday, included Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. Sturtevant and sons and Mrs. Eva Sturtevant of Auburn, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph N. Gilbert and daughter of Biddeford, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gilbert and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Glover and C. H. Gilbert of Canton.  
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blawie spent Thanksgiving with relatives in New Hampshire.  
Mrs. Dora Chase of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Paerand and three children of Hartford were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson and family.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stevens and family of Danvers have been guests of her sister, Mrs. Horace L. Warden, and family.  
Elsie Frazee was entertained while in town at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Butterfield.  
Mr. and Mrs. Horace A. Woodworth have gone to Massachusetts for the winter.  
Aunt V. Hayford has returned from a holiday trip with a few days.  
Mrs. Elmer Richardson and family of Canton and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Turner of Bangor were entertained Thanksgiving day at the home of H. Frank Richardson and family.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ladd have gone to Lewiston for the winter.  
Mrs. E. H. York attended the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Thos. Giddings of Livermore, who passed away after a paralytic stroke.  
The third degree was conferred on one candidate at the meeting of Canton Masonic, Friday evening, and supper served.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Richardson were Thanksgiving guests of their daughter, Mrs. Elmer B. Lane, and family of Auburn.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Halls spent

Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Pulsifer, and husband at Farmington.  
A. L. Tirrell has sold his cottage on the shore of the lake to the Richardson of Plauswood Camps.  
Miss Kathleen Fisher has been a guest of Miss Mabel Norcross of Lewiston.  
Milton Winslow has been spending a few days in Lewiston and New Gloucester.  
A social was held at the Wyman schoolhouse, Wednesday evening. This school is being taught by Miss Juliet Bryant.  
Winetta Brunell went to Frye, Saturday, to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burgess.  
Lyman Ellis and family were entertained Thursday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Ellis, and family.  
Mr. and Mrs. Emory Jones of New York are guests of her sister, Mrs. Helen Sanney, and family.  
A. H. Blanchard spent the week end with friends in town.  
Phildore Daigle, who has been ill, was able to return to school Monday.

#### BANKS AND INSURANCE

This is no boom article for banks or insurance but published because financial and property losses weaken the community.  
In many issues of this paper will appear accounts of the burning up of homes.  
Often everything in the house was a total loss, including a goodly sum of money, and other valuables. And the story ends with the words: "they had no insurance."  
This is a human interest article to warn such as do not have their home, its contents, and all that is insurable, properly protected.  
It is sound common sense to use every possible precaution to safeguard one's property, real and personal.  
So heavy proves the loss to almost any family that they are for the time destitute neighbors care for them and relatives in another state are telegraphed to for funds.  
It is also unsafe to leave any sum of money in a home. It is best, as a safe rule, not to leave at home or carry on one's person any great amount of money.  
Banks are the place in which to leave money, and the checkbook does the rest. People, who imagine that when they deposit money in a bank, they are helping that institution, ought to know better.  
It is the bank that helps them by providing a safe place for their funds, and a convenient and safe way of paying their bills.  
Many hardships can be avoided when one takes every precaution to protect, through insurance, his home, his personal property, his health and ward off losses through accident.  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS TAIL  
Anchorage, Alaska, Associated Press dispatch, Sept. 22: "Order received from Secretary of the Interior Work direct that the pumps be pulled in the Chitka coal mine north of here and that this development, where the navy spent \$1,000,000, be abandoned. It is reported that orders are coming in to close the Eka coal mine, near the Chitka. At each of these mines a modern town was built by the government. At the Eka mine are steam heated dormitories. Col. James G. Steese, head of the Alaska railroad and of the Alaska road commission, has received from Washington a message asking how long it would take to unscramble these two departments."  
This after a vain effort of the government to successfully operate coal mines. The coal is there. There is demand for coal but it seems not enough to pay subject to laws of supply and demand.

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## Suggestions for Christmas IN FURNITURE

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High Chairs, Children's Chairs, Rocking Horses  
White Porcelain Tables for the Kitchen  
CROCKERY AND OTHER USEFUL ARTICLES  
Plain, Fancy and Cut Glass  
Many Useful Articles in LEATHER GOODS  
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A Large Assortment of GIFTS FOR CHILDREN  
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You will find our assortments larger than many of the city stores show you because our two stores operated as one carry stocks larger than many city clothing stores.  
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These dresses are made to give an elegant and smart look, and there is no doubt that they will be popular. They are made of different styles of crepe that are in season, beautifully trimmed in many different ways.

Silk Dresses for \$12.50 that were \$17.50

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### CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TIME

We are now ready to meet you with a large assortment of well made and attractive gifts. By ordering your gifts early you can avoid the rush and secure the best selection from our stock.

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Will the United States stop building motor cars, close up its factories and return to horse drawn vehicles. Alas! question! Yet there is only one alternative; if we are not to lose the economic and social benefits of motor transportation, we must supply roads upon which the power vehicles may run.

It is impossible to separate the water from the wave, the gold from the brackish, or the track from the locomotive. It is equally impossible to separate the road from the track, or the passenger car from the highway. They are halves of a whole transportation is never whole unless it is both together.

The roads were planned and built for a means of transportation which is gone. The earliest highways were for horse riders, the stagecoach came next, after which we had the buggy and the wagon. The narrow road, the steep grade, the soft surface were all admissible for these; none of them are economic for the swift and powerful motor.

We have "improved" our highways some of them—and widened a few, but we still build a road with the idea that it will "last" but a few years, and need "constant repairs." We still build in width predicated upon slow-moving vehicles, and we still wind our highways up hill and down dale and around devious curves because it is "easiest" and "cheapest" so to do.

That era is gone! The new one is fairly here. We must either build our roads for our modern vehicles, or scrap motor transportation. As the latter is noticeably ahead, it seems logical to believe that the era of the wide, expensive, permanent, hard surface road is here.

### INFLUENCE OF SURFACE ON POWER REQUIRED

Tractive Effort Experiments Conducted at Bethel

That the surface of the road has much to do with the amount of effort required to move a wheeled vehicle and to keep it moving is well known, just what these various efforts are has been determined by a series of experiments conducted by the Maine Overseas Association of America, by means of a testing apparatus invented by Mr. E. V. Tolson, of the State Agricultural College, at Ames, Iowa.

According to these experiments, a given load of 2,500 pounds was started by a team of horses on a level track surface by a 200 pounds pull while the same load on an asphalt surface required 1,200 pounds pull and a good concrete and dirt surface created 100 pounds pull. A concrete road allowed the team to start the load with a pull of 100 pounds.

The experiments further demonstrated that the "resistance" of the horses loaded and according to do with the effort of a team to pull a load, was a small fraction of the effort required to start a load of 2,500 pounds on a level track surface.

### ROADS MAINTAINED BY COUNTY COOPERATION

One Section of Keeping Highway in Condition

At the meeting of the Maine Overseas Association of America, held at the Hotel Bethel, on Wednesday, December 5th, the subject of the maintenance of the roads was discussed. The association is a non-profit organization, and its purpose is to promote the welfare of the people of Maine. It has a large number of members, and its activities are directed towards the improvement of the roads and the welfare of the community.

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### BETHEL AND VICINITY

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Miss Eunice Smith is assisting in Rowe's store.

Mrs. Ella Lyon was a guest at the Hapgood farm, Sunday.

Mr. L. W. Hamill and family spent Sunday at Camp "Samoset."

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Littlehale and children were in Gorham, N. H., Sunday.

Mr. Wolfgang Thomas and friend of Portland were in town a few days last week.

Meers, E. C. Park and E. M. Walker are spending several days in Boston on business.

Mr. Frank Mason of Boston spent Sunday with his brother, Herman Mason, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown were Sunday guests of Mrs. William Hapgood at North Stratford.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M., will hold a private installation Thursday evening, Dec. 6.

Mrs. Fred Wheeler and son of South Bethel were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Linton.

The first snow storm of the season was Sunday night when about two inches of heavy snow fell.

Mrs. Marion Hobbs of Massachusetts is the guest of her sisters, the Misses Starr and Florence Twitwell.

Mr. D. R. Smith has resumed his duties at the telephone exchange after being confined to his home by illness.

Mr. Norman Groux, a former clerk at the G. T. R. station, was the guest of friends in town over the week end.

Miss Alice French has been substituting as night operator in the telephone exchange during the absence of D. R. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCrean are enjoying a vacation from their duties at Bethel Inn. Miss Maud Brekler is taking Mrs. Crean's place.

Miss Dorothy Chandler was the guest of her grandparents, Monday, on her return from Berlin, N. H., where she spent Sunday with friends.

Mr. Rodney Bartlett has returned to his studies at Bowdoin College after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Bartlett.

Master Augustus Carter and his sister, Rebecca, were guests of their aunt, Miss Alice Capen, at the home of Prof. Chapman, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Whitney stayed for Mr. Peterburg, Florida, Monday, to spend the winter. Mr. Spaulding, Mrs. Whitney's sister, is to be with them.

Mr. David P. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Paine. He is now staying at the J. B. Hampton hotel during the absence of Mr. Frank Abbott.

As the weather was unfavorable last Sunday the Bethel Chapel and of West Bethel postponed their Christmas celebration Sunday afternoon and evening, Dec. 9th.

### RAILROAD VALUATIONS

The government has just completed a valuation of the Maine Central Railroad. The valuation is \$1,000,000. The Maine Central Railroad is a public utility, and its valuation is subject to the approval of the Federal Railroad Commission. The valuation is based on the cost of the property, and it is subject to change if the cost of the property changes.

### THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT

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## NOTICE BETHEL SAVINGS BANK

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Bethel Savings Bank, December 1st, it was voted that deposits made during any one month, and remaining in the bank until the next regular dividend, shall begin to draw interest from the first day of the month following the deposit.

The Trustees are pleased to say that since the incorporation of the bank, more than fifty years ago, no depositor, wishing to withdraw a deposit, has had to wait for the money.

Deposits made this month will go on interest Jan. 1st, 1924.

Dec. 3, 1923.

A. E. HERRICK, Treas.

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BETHEL, MAINE

## THANKSGIVING NO Where Some of Our People Festive Day

Mrs. Ralph Moore and son  
Bethel Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Love  
at Maple Inn.

Miss Ethel Capen spent Thanksgiving with her parents at Portland.

Mr. John Harrington was a guest at his home in Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Haating were guests at the Haatings.

Miss Minnie Capen entertained Mary Capen and daughter, at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hall and Mrs. Edmund Merrill and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards, daughter, Dorothy, dined at Bethel Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Burba with Mrs. Lydia Barker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Goodwin entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith.

Mrs. Annie Young was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Finney at her home.

Mrs. Margaret Hanson of Hallowell was at home for the Thanksgiving.

Mr. Richard Verville spent the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Verville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt of Portland spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Russell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bartlett entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. D. N. Mr. Edson Bartlett.

Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Oliver Thanksgiving with her parents, Mrs. Grafton Gordon, at Peru.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Allen the holiday with her parents, Mrs. F. S. Robertson, at Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thorpe entertained Mr. and Mrs. Howard T. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O'Young, Bethel, at dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lapham, daughter, Esther, and Mr. and Mrs. Hanson were guests of their parents, Bryant's Pond, Thursday.

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### THANKSGIVING NOTES

Where Some of Our People Spent the Festal Day

Mrs. Ralph Moore and son dined at Bethel Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Lovejoy dined at Maple Inn.

Miss Ethel Capen spent Thanksgiving with her parents at Portland.

Mr. John Harrington was the dinner guest at his home in Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hastings and son were guests at the Hastings farm.

Miss Minnie Capen entertained Mrs. Mary Capen and daughter, Alice.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hall dined with Mrs. Edmund Merrill and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards and daughter, Dorothy, dined at Bethel Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Burbank dined with Mrs. Lydia Barker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Goodwin were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Rich.

Mrs. Annie Young was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Finney at Dixfield.

Mrs. Margaret Hanson of Bates College was at home for the Thanksgiving recess.

Mr. Richard Verville spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Verville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt of Norway spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Russell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bartlett entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mills and Mr. Edson Bartlett.

Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Oliver spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grafton Gordon, at Peru.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Allen spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Robertson, at Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thurston entertained Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thurston, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O'Young and son Richard at dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lapham and daughter, Esther, and Mr. and Mrs. Asa Peterson were guests of their parents at Bryant's Pond, Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Tuell entertained Mr. Richard Holmes.

Mrs. Ida Douglass dined with Mr. and Mrs. Walter McKenney.

Miss Susie Plaisted dined with Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Haselton.

Miss Cornelia Chapman was a guest of Mrs. Fannie Carter and family.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Gehring and Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis were guests at Bethel Inn.

Master Richard Holt spent Thanksgiving with his mother, Mrs. Annie Holt, at Norway.

Mrs. Emma and son, Arnold, of No. Newry were guests of her son, Mr. T. A. Eames, and family.

Mr. Ray Parker of Weymouth, Mass., spent the Thanksgiving recess with H. M. Farwell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaw were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Almon Tyler, at Cobblestone farm, Grover Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyon were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lyon on Grover Hill for the day.

Mr. Ernest Walker spent Thanksgiving in Farmington with his sister, Mrs. Clinton Metcalf, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Kimball spent the day with their daughter, Mrs. John Howe, and family at East Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Smith and son, Asa, spent the day with their daughter, Mrs. Sylvanus Brown, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Burk entertained Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Forbes and Mrs. Millie Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. F. Darkeo and Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Durell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeCosta at Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crockett and children and Miss Ruth Billings were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crockett at Bryant's Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnel Brown and daughter, June, spent Thanksgiving in Norway, the guests of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Onell Brown.

Mr. Earl Davis and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Farnan at Rumford, Thursday. Mrs. Davis remained for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Copeland dined at Bethel Inn.

Mrs. Grace Foley was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Skillings.

Mrs. Annie Willey was the guest of her sister at Buckfield, Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Churchill were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Baker.

Master Erlon Wheeler of South Paris spent the day with Master Albert Brown.

Mr. A. Van Den Kerkhoven and family and Miss Inez Elwell dined at Bethel Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Allen and son Stanley were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Allen at West Bethel.

Judge and Mrs. A. E. Herrick and daughter, Margaret, and Mrs. Melissa Tuell dined at Bethel Inn.

Mrs. Anna Grover and son, Selden, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler and family.

Mr. Clarence Philbrook spent the Thanksgiving recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Philbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hastings and Miss Hattie Foster were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Goddard.

Mrs. Ella Mansfield and Mr. I. L. Carver were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Badger at Portsmouth, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler entertained as guests their two children, Esther and Lauris, and Mr. Levi Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rawlin were the guests of Mr. Sumner Bean and Miss Estella Bean in Albany for the day.

Miss Alice Willis spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Skillings at their camp at Northwest Bethel.

Mr. H. P. Austin and family were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hebbard, at Shelburne, N. H., for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Packard entertained at Thanksgiving, Misses Methel and Ida Packard, Mrs. J. P. Coffin, Mr. Alton Carroll and Mr. Percy Tripp.

Miss Barbara Davis and her brother, Irving, who are attending Gould's Academy, spent the Thanksgiving recess at their home in Crystal, N. H.

Miss Cleo Russell dined with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vashaw dined with Mrs. Ordecia Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bean entertained his daughter from Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grover dined with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Grover.

Mrs. Sarah Webster of Sanford was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heath entertained Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heath and family.

Miss Helen Clark spent the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmon Jordan of Mechanic Falls spent Thanksgiving at the Jordan home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Elledge were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Young at Skillingston.

Mr. E. F. Biscoe was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Fred Bailey, at South Paris, Thanksgiving.

Mr. Hoff, who is employed by S. S. Groddeck, spent Thanksgiving at his home in Strong, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson had as dinner guests his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Robertson.

Mrs. B. E. Tibbels entertained her mother, Mrs. Ashby, from Caribou, who will remain for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Fox entertained Mr. and Mrs. French of Portland and Mr. Bryant of Bryant's Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Inman were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Becker in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ring and children and Miss Cole of Bryant's Pond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kendall.

Mrs. Grace Swan and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Conroy entertained Mr. and Mrs. Merle Swan and daughter, Joyce, and Mrs. J. C. Billings.

Master Harlan Hutehins and his sister, Rita, were guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Cummings, for the day.

### BONGO POND

Mr. Abner Kimball, who was operated upon for appendicitis recently at St. Louis Hospital, Berlin, N. H., is gaining. Mr. Carlton Penley was in Berlin, N. H., Monday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gorman are spending a few days at Songo Lake Cottage.

Mrs. Maria Kimball and Mr. Ben Inman have been on the sick list.

Mrs. Abner Kimball, who is staying in Berlin, N. H., came home Saturday, returning to Berlin, Sunday by auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gorman, Miss Jennie Kimball and Mr. Albert Kimball accompanied her.

Mr. John Kimball of Locke's Mills called at Charles Kimball's, Monday, to see his mother.

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OVERSHOES  
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LISE HOSE  
SPORT HOSE  
GLOVES and MITTENS  
SCARFS  
SPORT HATS  
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### NOTICE

**DAMAGED GLASSES**  
Miss Clara Wells, pupil of Bethel High School, has lost a pair of glasses. If found, please return to her at her home, 433½ Adams St., Portland, Me. 12544

**NOTICE OF LOST BANK PASS**  
Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank to Mrs. Hannah Pickett and numbered 2263 has been destroyed or lost, and that she desires to have a new book of deposit issued to her.  
**BETHEL SAVINGS BANK**  
By A. E. Hurd, Treasurer,  
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weighing about 2100 pounds. Inquire at the Citizen Office, Bethel, Me.

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**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS—An**  
an old new car. Real estate on which the tax is not paid Dec. 17 will be sold without making an extra expense to the owner. **WILLIAM H. HALL, Tax Collector.** 12546

**NOTICE—Dec. 14, Bethel**  
Orange will hold their fair at George Hall at 2 o'clock. Apples, candy, food and other articles will be on sale. There will also be a fish pond.

### THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN

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**TO OUR READERS:**  
If you desire any extra copies of the Citizen, please let us know about it and we will send them to you as soon as we can.

**ALBANY**  
Helen Buckler, who is teaching in the school here, was home over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buckler entertained as Thanksgiving guests Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lamm of Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Buckler and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Loring over Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Andrews were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hamilton and Mrs. Edna Hamilton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Andrews over Thanksgiving day.

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### WEST PARIS

The Public Library Association will hold a sale, supper and entertainment Wednesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 12, the proceeds to be used for purchase of new books.

Mrs. Elsworth D. Curtis is visiting friends in Worcester.

Mrs. C. L. Nelson entertained the Bethel Twelve Club Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Peck of Portland. It was gentlemen's night and a very enjoyable evening was passed.

The usual number of Thanksgiving guests were entertained in the local families and many others went out of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bell entertained as Thanksgiving guests Mr. and Mrs. H. M. and Mrs. Everett Robbins and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robbins and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dyer and son of Sumner.

Mrs. Clara Bellon and Mrs. Doris Johnson entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Peck and son Donald of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Mayhew, Mr. and Mrs. Myrtle Robinson were entertained at Mr. and Mrs. Walter (Grand) Smith's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mason and Edward Robinson were guests of Mr. Mason's mother, Mrs. Emma Mason, at Bethel.

Mrs. Clara Curtis went to Portland and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Briggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Waterhouse entertained all the members of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nelson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Saturday.

Mrs. Mabel Mason and Mrs. Jennie Andrews were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen, Bryant's Pond.

Mrs. Hattie Day and children, Gerald and Martha, Mary Hwan and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Houghton spent Thanksgiving at Alton Day's, Woodstock.

Arthur Dean and son, Floyd, Roy and wife and Mrs. were guests at A. Dean Dean's.

Rev. Elmer B. Forbes was entertained by friends to Bethel.

Edwin J. Mason and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Whitney, Mrs. Cynthia Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Todd composed the family party at H. H. Todd's.

Mrs. Elmer B. Forbes officiated at a funeral in Bethel, Tuesday, and Friday evening attended the district meeting of the Young People's Christian Union.

School closed Wednesday night for the Thanksgiving recess and the teachers went to their respective homes.

Mr. F. J. Jones spent Thanksgiving with his wife, Mrs. D. B. Davis, at their home in West Paris, Frank Davis and family of South Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Churchill passed the 20th anniversary of their marriage last week. Mr. Churchill is 60 years old and Mrs. Churchill is 58. Both are in very feeble condition.

The people in the 1st and 2nd grades having 100 per cent in spelling for the past week were: Mary Patch, Shirley Hamrick, Barbara Robinson, Mabel McKenna, Mary Briggs, Merle Dean, Merrill Robinson, Dorothy Clark, Lewis Mason, John Loring, Curtis Gammock, Robert Clark and Hattie Hare.

The people in the 3rd grade are working for badges as a reward for the successful completion of the year's work.

A short Thanksgiving program was enjoyed by the pupils in grade 3 and 4 Wednesday afternoon. Thanksgiving songs were sung, Pilgrim compositions written by members of the class were read. A peanut hunt followed in which all pupils took an active part.

### EAST BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Newton, Miss Eliza and Master Gene visited in Anchar for Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Snow were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Snow at Louisa's Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Howe and family entertained as guests Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kimball of Bethel and Mr. W. C. Snow of Washington, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. George Hamilton entertained Thanksgiving week. Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Harvey and small son of South Paris, Maine.

Mr. G. N. Hamilton, Misses Hattie, Fannie and Mary Hamilton enjoyed the day as guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kimball and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart and son of Bethel were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brown passed the day as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton.

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Many class recently called on Mr. Porter Farwell and presented him with a most delightfully filled basket of all kinds of delicious fruits, also an entertaining and pleasing program of singing, and all spoke a piece. It was a grand surprise party to Mr. Farwell who greatly enjoyed it all. We leave it to Miss Laura to think of all the great good and comforting blessings of this life.

**MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD**  
Mrs. Mary J. Capen spent Thanksgiving at Ernest Walker's with her daughter, Minnie and Alice.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Coolidge dined with her daughter and family.

Miss Ethel Capen spent Thanksgiving at the hospital with her father and mother in Portland.

Mrs. Walter Valentine and children dined with her brother, Albert Gilbe, and family at the village, Sunday.

Agnes and Rebecca Carter spent the week end with their aunt, Alice.

Leslie Cooper is helping Walter Valentine build box boards to P. J. Tyler's mill at Bethel.

J. F. Coolidge is doing chores at C. A. Capen's.

Miss Nellie Chapman is spending a week with Mrs. Fannie Carter.

Clark Caswell is spending a few weeks at his daughter's, Mrs. Cary Stevens.

Mrs. John Coolidge has eleven broods which have laid over 500 eggs in two months time. Good for the time of year.

### NORTH NEWRY

Richard Blake is moving his family to Gratons into the Walter Vail house.

Miss Irene Merion spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merion.

Miss Vaughn Merion, who is working for Mrs. Barrett at Upton and Frankie Vail were guests of Miss Merion's parents on Thanksgiving Day.

Vada and Ella Hanson enjoyed Thanksgiving at home this year. It has been a number of years since Miss Vada has spent Thanksgiving at home, as she works out most of the time.

Mrs. L. R. Jones and family were Thanksgiving Day guests of her sister, Sadie and Mabel.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight entertained for guests, Thanksgiving Day Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wight, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Wight and two sons George and William, Miss Carrie Wight and Mr. Palmer.

Mrs. Joe Baker and children went to Bethel, N. H., Saturday.

In H. Wight and M. A. Paine were in Bethel Monday P. M.

### HANOVER

Ray Jones has been spending his holiday vacation at the home of A. G. Hane. He is a student at Lewiston Business College.

Miss Frances Merion, a teacher at Bethel, spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Merion.

Mr. John Hatcher returned to his home in Bethel, Saturday, after a visit of two weeks with his daughter, Mrs. M. A. Holt.

The school party was postponed this week on account of preparation going on for the 1924 Maine Convention.

And for the game by the Pythian Sisters, Dec. 7. Don't forget the date.

A luncheon Mrs. Ella Wain Anderson of South Paris, formerly of Hanover, Me., was given at the home of Mrs. Wain.

A generous little stranger came to see Mrs. Wain.

And found no warm welcome. She decided that she'd stay.

Never, Elizabeth, for, I fear.

### Thought for the Day.

The young men who try to make a difference to feel like an important man usually do not become a man of importance.

### Just a Bit Different.

"I can't never do better in all the years on been married, except the two times he put on his best clothes in the middle of the week without explanation."—Woman City Star.

### THE J. E. JONES LETTER

(Continued from page 1)

on a big long march on hot houses, patent fertilizers, and all the other methods to promote the growth of plants and grains. Quite likely in time the electrical wizards will find a practical and inexpensive way to flood fields with an electrical illumination and thus help out Mother Nature in growing things "out of season," in accordance with the cravings and ambitions of the "best dinner hosts."

**WOMEN ON THE FARM**  
Several years ago the Federal Government made an intensive study of the social conditions of farmers' wives. The returns showed that most of these women were in competition with the "hired man" in performing the drudgeries of farm life. In consequence they showed a terrible percentage of breakdowns in early life. It developed that the mothers discouraged their children from remaining on the farm, thus explaining to some extent why the younger generation deserted agricultural pursuits. The burden has been raised in many ways by better roads, automobiles, electric lights and pumps, and electric irons and washing machines, vacuum telephones and radios add their help to cleaners and ranges. On top of all this rural electrification. It would be interesting to have a new survey to determine just how much happier the farm wife is now than she was ten or fifteen years ago.

**JUDICIAL DESPOTISM**  
Ever since the establishment of the Government there has been a running fight upon the Federal judiciary system. Instances like that in New York where Judge Mayer sentences an official of New York City to jail for sixty days because the latter thought the Federal judge was giving the City "the worst of it" have excited the public mind against these life-term judges. In the highest official places in the Washington Administration there is no word of commendation for the judge in this matter.

In another case a Texas judge in sentencing a famous promoter of oil stocks went out of his way to roundly abuse the convicted prisoner, using the most bitter forms of sarcasm. Of course Dr. Cook couldn't talk back. Likely he deserved his sentence, but that has nothing to do with the Judge's speech telling his personal opinion of Cook.

The American public seems always to be convulsed from the shocks received when they find out that judges make mistakes just like other people. The feeling is that official despotism, even on the bench, should be curbed. The methods for applying the curb vary all the way from the recall of decisions and judges to shortening the terms which they may serve. Evidently even judges should be kept in leash and not allowed to get to the point where they raise any scintillas above their official heads.

**HERE'S A FILM THAT RECALLS BOYHOOD DAYS**  
Influence National Heroes Have On Youngsters Is Vividly Depicted

There's many an official of high rating in the business world who was once just an alley kid—and often times a tough kid at that.

And that fact hasn't been overlooked by the press agents who have their own little axes to grind. The results of the efforts of the press agents are well apparent. There is scarcely a prominent figure in the world's affairs who does not have the interest of the public centering around his life, especially his boyhood.

This same thing holds true in the kingdom of sport. For every champion in every line of sport there is a world of interest in the individual himself.

So when the baseball public commenced to cast its favor toward one Bat Shugart, home run king of the Pacific Coast Baseball League and here at "Trilling with Hauer," the University of Jewell production which will be shown at Odessa Hall, Saturday evening, Dec. 8, Odessa Lewis, a writer for a sports news syndicate, conceived the idea of writing a series of articles on the life of Bat Shugart.

The result of the published articles was the recasting of the life of a tough kid of the slugs who tried to live in reality the kind of life that the newspaper articles described in the autobiography of the famous baseball player.

William Clarence McNitt secured a story of unusual human interest when he wrote the story for Odessa's Weekly.

The story was adapted to the screen by Frank Bretford and Raymond L. Sutnick and produced at Universal City under the direction of Harry A. Pollard with an all-star cast.

The gripping interest of the story has been entirely sustained in the picture which affords a high quality entertainment.

A strong cast is headed by such well-known players as Buckle Halloway, Fritz Schlegel, Buddy Livingston, Hayden Stevenson, Emmett King, William Walsh, Frederick Steiner and William Robert Daly.

### THANKSGIVING NOTES

Mr. G. L. Thurston was a dinner guest at the home of Mrs. J. A. Thurston.

Miss Gladys Spearin of Lynn, Mass., spent the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Spearin.

Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Wight and daughter, Vivian, entertained Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wight and Mr. Virgil Wight of Gorham, N. H., and Mr. William MacRay on Thanksgiving.

Mr. Walter Chandler was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler, for Thanksgiving dinner, returning to South Paris in the P. M., where he joined his family in a Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Valentine entertained Mr. and Mrs. William Valentine.

line of Philadelphia, Mr. E. P. Grier, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Grover and family, Rev. and Mrs. S. T. Achenbach and Mrs. Lauretta Valentine.

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ALL BULK CHOCOLATES,	70c lb.	55c
MAINE MAID SWEETS,	70c	55c
MAINE MAID SWEETS,	1-2 lb. 35c	28c
DAGGETT'S,	1 lb. 1.00	73c
DAGGETT'S,	1 lb. 1.25	89c
DAGGETT'S,	2 lb. 2.50	1.98
PETER'S BARS,	10c	8c
PETER'S BARS,	5c	4c

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